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As a below named inventor, I declare that my residence, post office address and citizenship are stated below next to my name, the information given herein is true, that I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed at 201 below), or a first and joint inventor (if plural inventors are named below at 201-203, or on additional sheets attached hereto) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**PROCESS AND DEVICE FOR INKING AN ENGRAVED  
PRINTING PLATE FROM AN INK TANK**

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which is described and claimed in:  PCT International Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_  
 the attached specification  the specification in application 09/196,249 filed 20 November 1998  
 (if applicable) and \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.  
 I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 (a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)

09700937	Belgium	21 November 1997	Priority Claimed
(Number)	(Country)	(Day/Month/Year Filed)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ Filing Date \_\_\_\_\_ Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ Filing Date \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

(Application Serial No.) (Filing Date) (Status: patented, pending, abandoned)

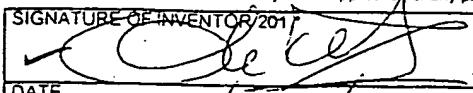
POWER OF ATTORNEY: As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorneys (Registration No.) to prosecute this application, receive and act on instructions from my agent, and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. HARVEY B. JACOBSON JR. (20,851); D. DOUGLAS PRICE (24,514); JOHN CLARKE HOLMAN (22,769); MARVIN R. STERN (20,640); MICHAEL R. SLOBASKY (26,421); JONATHAN L. SCHERER (29,851); IRWIN M. AISENBERG (19,007); WILLIAM E. PLAYER (31,409)

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I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statement made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code; and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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**SMALL ENTITY DECLARATION**  
 [37 CFR 1.9(c-f)]

Each undersigned declares that:

- (1)  the application attached hereto  
 (2)  U.S. Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed November 20, 1998  
 (3)  U.S. Patent No. \_\_\_\_\_ Issued \_\_\_\_\_

is entitled to the benefits of "small entity" status for paying reduced fees under 35 USC 41(a) and (b) to the Patent and Trademark Office by virtue of the following:

(4)  Each undersigned declares that he/she qualifies as an independent inventor, or would qualify had he/she made the invention, as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(c).

(5)  The undersigned declares that he/she is an official empowered to act on behalf of the concern identified below; that this concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(d).

(6)  The undersigned declares the he/she is an official empowered to act on behalf of the organization identified below; that this organization qualifies as a nonprofit organization as defined in

- (a)  37 CFR 1.9(e)(1)  
 (b)  37 CFR 1.9(e)(2)  
 (c)  37 CFR 1.9(e)(3)  
 (d)  37 CFR 1.9(e)(4) State law of \_\_\_\_\_

(7) Each person, concern or organization to which I/we have assigned, granted, conveyed or licensed, or am under an obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license any rights in the invention is listed below:

- (a)  no such person, concern or organization  
 (b)  persons, concerns or organizations listed below

[a separate declaration is required from each named person, concern or organization having rights to this invention averring to their status as "small entities."]

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Individual  Small Business Concern  Nonprofit Organization

I/we acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement of small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b))

I/we hereby declare all statements made herein of his/her own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issued thereon, or any patent to which this declaration is directed.

(8) Typed Name of Inventor Signature Date

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(9) PRINTING INTERNATIONAL N.V.

Name of Small Business Concern or Nonprofit Organization

L. DE VOLDER By Ole E.  
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 Title of Signatory

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## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA—ASSIGNMENT

(1-6) Insert Name(s) of Inventors

(1) DE VOLDER Laurent .....  
 (2) .....  
 (3) .....  
 (4) .....  
 (5) ..... and  
 (6) .....

In consideration of the sum of one dollar (\$1.00), and other good and valuable considerations paid to each of the undersigned, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned agree(s) to assign, transfer and set over to

(7) Insert Name of assignee(8) Insert Address of Assignee(9) Insert Legal Entity and State or Country (e.g., a corporation or citizen of Japan)(10) Insert Identification of Invention, (10) such as Title, Case Number or Foreign Application Number

(7) PRINTING INTERNATIONAL N.V. ....

(8) of Ambachtenlaan 12, 9880 Aalter, Belgium .....

(9) a corporation of Belgium .....

(hereinafter designated as the Assignee) the entire right, title and interest for the United States, its territories, dependencies and possessions, in the invention known as

(11) Insert Date of Signing of Application, or filing date and Serial No., if known

(11) Said application having been executed/filed on ..... (and assigned Serial No. ....)

1) The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers necessary in connection with this application and any continuing or divisional applications thereof and also to execute separate assignments in connection with such applications as the Assignee may deem necessary or expedient.

2) The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers necessary in connection with any interference which may be declared concerning this application or any continuing or divisional applications thereof and to cooperate with the Assignee in every way possible in obtaining evidence and going forward with such interference.

3) The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers and documents and perform any act which may be necessary in connection with claims or provisions of the International Union for Protection of Industrial Property or similar agreements.

4) The undersigned agree(s) to perform all affirmative acts which may be necessary to obtain a grant of a valid United States patent to the Assignee.

5) The undersigned hereby authorize(s) and request(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any and all Letters Patents of the United States resulting from this application or any continuing or divisional applications thereof to the said Assignee, as Assignee of the entire interest, and hereby covenants that he has (they have) full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that he has (they have) not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict herewith.

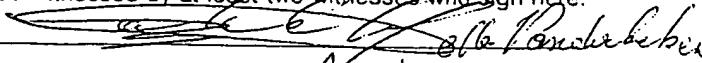
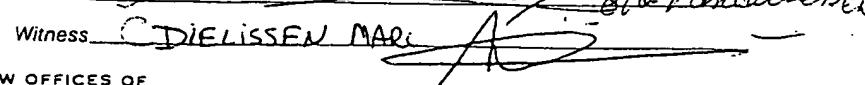
6) The undersigned hereby grant(s) the law firm of Jacobson, Price, Holman &amp; Stern, PLLC, 400 Seventh Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004, the power to insert on this assignment any further identification which may be necessary or desirable in order to comply with the rules of the United States Patent and Trademark Office for recordation of this document.

In witness whereof, executed by the undersigned on the date(s) opposite the undersigned name(s).

Date _____	Name of Inventor _____	DE VOLDER Laurent	(SEAL)
	typed name		signature
Date _____	Name of Inventor _____		(SEAL)
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This assignment should preferably be signed before a United States Consul if signed abroad, or a Notary Public if domestically signed. If not, then the execution by the inventor(s) should be witnessed by at least two witnesses who sign here:

Additional inventor's names and signatures on a separate sheet.

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